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Psychologist

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Important Contacts

A provider may use MAA's toll-free lines for questions regarding its program. However, MAA's response is based solely on the information provided to MAA's representative at the time of inquiry, and in no way exempts a provider from following the laws and rules that govern MAA's programs. (WAC 388-502-0020(2)).

Where do I call for information on becoming a DSHS provider, submitting a change of address or ownership, or to ask questions about the status of a provider application?

Call the toll-free line: (866) 545-0544

Where do I send my HCFA-1500 claims?

Division of Program Support PO Box 9245 Olympia WA 98507-9245

For information on electronic billing, go to:

http://maa.dshs.wa.gov/ecs

Who do I contact if I have questions on...

Payments, denials, general questions regarding claims processing, Healthy Options?

Medical Assistance Customer Service Center (800) 562-6188

Private insurance or third party liability, other than Healthy Options?

Division of Client Support Coordination of Benefits Section PO Box 45565 Olympia, WA 98504-5565 (800) 562-6136

How do I obtain copies of billing instructions or numbered memoranda?

Check out MAA's web site at: http://maa.dshs.wa.gov, Provider Publications/Fee Schedules link.

Definitions

This section defines terms, abbreviations, and acronyms used in these billing instructions that relate to the Medical Assistance Program.

Alcohol & Drug Addiction Treatment & Support Act (ADATSA) - A state-funded program that provides medical services for persons who are incapable of gainful employment due to alcoholism or substance addiction. Medical assistance ID card will have a *W*.

Authorization Requirement – A condition of coverage and reimbursement for specific services or equipment, when required by Washing Administrative Code (WAC) or billing instructions. See WAC 388-501-0165 for the authorization process.

Client – An individual who has been determined eligible to receive medical or health care services under any MAA program.

Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) – Rules adopted by the federal government. [WAC 388-500-0005]

Community Services Office (CSO) - An office of the department's Economic Services Administration (ESA) that administers social and health services at the community level. [WAC 388-500-0005]

Core Provider Agreement - The basic contract between MAA and an entity providing services to eligible clients. The Core Provider Agreement outlines and defines terms of participation in medical assistance programs. [WAC 388-500-0005]

Department - The state Department of Social and Health Services [DSHS]. [WAC 388-500-0005]

Explanation of Benefits (EOB) – A coded message on the medical assistance Remittance and Status Report that gives detailed information about the claim associated with that report.

[WAC 388-500-0005]

Managed Care - A prepaid comprehensive system of medical and health care delivery including preventive, primary, specialty, and ancillary health services.

[WAC 388-538-050]

Maximum Allowable - The maximum dollar amount MAA will reimburse a provider for a specific service, supply, or piece of equipment. [WAC 388-500-0005]

Medicaid - The state and federally funded Title XIX program under which medical care is provided to persons eligible for the categorically needy program (CNP) or medically needy program (MNP).

[WAC 388-500-0005]

Medical Assistance Administration

(MAA) - The administration within DSHS authorized by the secretary to administer the acute care portion of Title XIX Medicaid, Title XXI state-children's health insurance program (S-CHIP), Title XVI, and the state-funded medical care programs, with the exception of certain non-medical services for persons with chronic disabilities.

Medically Necessary - A term for describing requested service which is reasonably calculated to prevent, diagnose, correct, cure, alleviate or prevent worsening of conditions in the client that endanger life, or cause suffering or pain, or result in an illness or infirmity, or threaten to cause or aggravate a handicap, or cause physical deformity or malfunction. There is no other equally effective, more conservative or substantially less costly course of treatment available or suitable for the client requesting the service. For the purpose of this section, "course of treatment" may include mere observation or, where appropriate, no treatment at all. [WAC 388-500-0005]

Medicare - The federal government health insurance program, for certain aged or disabled clients under Titles II and XVIII of the Social Security Act. Medicare has two parts:

- "Part A" covers the Medicare inpatient hospital, post-hospital skilled nursing facility care, home health services, and hospice care.
- "Part B" is the supplementary medical insurance benefit (SMIB) covering the Medicare doctor's services, outpatient hospital care, outpatient physical therapy and speech pathology services, home health care, and other health services and supplies not covered under Part A of Medicare. [WAC 388-500-0005]

Patient Identification Code (PIC) - An alphanumeric code that is assigned to each MAA client consisting of:

- First and middle initials (or a dash (-) must be entered if the middle initial is not indicated).
- Six-digit birthdate, consisting of numerals only (MMDDYY).
- First five letters of the last name (and spaces if the name is fewer than five letters).
- Alpha or numeric character (tiebreaker).

Provider - Any person or organization that has a signed contract or core provider agreement with DSHS to provide services to eligible clients. [WAC 388-500-0005]

Provider Number – An identification number issued to providers who have signed contract(s) with MAA. [WAC 388-500-0005]

Psychologist – This is defined as a person with a doctoral degree in clinical psychology from an accredited college or university, or who has been licensed as a psychologist as defined in RCW 18.83.

[See also WAC 388-875-0020]

Remittance And Status Report (RA) - A report produced by MMIS, MAA's claims processing system, that provides detailed information concerning submitted claims and other financial transactions.

[WAC 388-500-0005]

Revised Code of Washington (**RCW**) - Washington State laws.

Third Party - Any entity that is or may be liable to pay all or part of the medical cost of care of a federal Medicaid or state medical program client. [WAC 388-500-0005]

Title XIX - The portion of the federal Social Security Act that authorizes grants to states for medical assistance programs. Title XIX is also called Medicaid.

[WAC 388-500-0005]

Usual & Customary Fee – The fee that the provider typically charges the general public for the product or service. [WAC 388-500-0005]

Washington Administrative Code (WAC)

- Codified rules of the State of Washington.

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Client Eligibility

Who is eligible?

Clients presenting Medical Assistance ID Cards with the following identifiers <u>are eligible</u> for psychological evaluations:

Medical Program Identifier	Medical Program		
CNP	Categorically Needy Program		
CNP CHIP	Categorically Needy Program - Children's Health Insurance Program		
LCP-MNP	Limited Casualty Program-Medically Needy Program		

Who is not eligible?

Clients presenting Medical ID Cards with the following identifier <u>are not eligible</u> for psychological evaluations:

Medical Program Identifier	Medical Program	
Family Planning Only	Family Planning Only	

Note: Clients whose Medical ID cards list the "GAU" medical identifier must go their local community mental health center for mental health services.

What about clients who are enrolled in an MAA managed care plan?

Clients whose Medical ID Cards bear an identifier in the HMO column are enrolled in an MAA managed health care plan. Clients with identifiers in the HMO must be referred by their primary care provider in their managed care plan. Call the HMO telephone number located on the client's Medical ID Card. If the HMO refers the client to you for services, the HMO is responsible for reimbursing you for the services.

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Coverage

What is covered?

The Medical Assistance Administration (MAA) reimburses licensed psychologists for:

- Psychological evaluations;
- Developmental testing; and
- Neuropsychological testing.

Psychological Evaluation

[Refer to WAC 388-865-0610]

- A psychological evaluation must include a complete diagnostic history, examination, and assessment. The testing of cognitive processes, visual motor responses, and abstract abilities is accomplished by the combination of several types of testing procedures.
- To receive reimbursement for the evaluation, the psychologist must keep a report in the client's file that contains all of the components of a psychological evaluation including test results and interpretation of results.
- Use **CPT code 96100** when billing for psychological evaluations.
- Up to two (2) units of CPTTM code 96100 are allowed <u>without prior authorization</u> per client, per lifetime.
- If additional testing is necessary, psychologists <u>must</u> request additional units of CPT code 96100 through the prior authorization process.

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Developmental Testing

MAA reimburses for developmental testing (CPT codes 96110 and 96111) only when:

- The provider is a psychologist or neuropsychologist; and
- The provider has obtained written/fax prior authorization from MAA.

Neuropsychological Testing

MAA reimburses for neuropsychological testing (CPT codes 96115 and 96117) only when:

- The provider is a neuropsychologist; **and**
- The provider has obtained written/fax prior authorization from MAA.

MAA no longer requires providers who bill for neuropsychological testing to be board-certified; however, providers must be able to furnish credentials that demonstrate their expertise upon request.

Obtaining Prior Authorization

Send or fax your request for prior authorization to:

MAA – Division of Medical Management Attn: Medical Request Coordinator PO Box 45506 Olympia, WA 98504-5506 FAX: (360) 586-1471

What is not covered?

MAA will *not* reimburse for:

- Psychotherapy provided by a psychologist or an ARNP; or
- Continuing care provided by psychologist or by staff employed by the psychologist.

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Fee Schedule

Due to its licensing agreement with the American Medical Association, MAA publishes only the official, brief CPT® procedure code descriptions. To view the entire descriptions, please refer to your current CPT book.

CPT Procedure		July 1, 2004 Maximum Allowable Fee	
Code	Brief Description	Non-Facility Setting	Facility Setting
96100	Psychological testing	\$43.75	\$43.75
96105	Assessment of aphasia	Not covered	Not covered
96110	Developmental test, lim	7.71	7.71
96111	Developmental test, extend	86.83	86.83
96115	Neurobehavior status exam	43.75	43.75
96117	Neuropsych test battery	43.75	43.75

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Billing

What is the time limit for billing? [Refer to WAC 388-502-0150]

- MAA requires providers to submit an initial claim, be assigned an internal control number (ICN), and adjust all claims in a timely manner. MAA has two timeliness standards: 1) for initial claims; and 2) for resubmitted claims.
- The provider must submit claims as described in MAA's billing instructions.
- MAA requires providers to obtain an ICN for an **initial claim** within 365 days from any
 of the following:
 - ✓ The date the provider furnishes the service to the eligible client;
 - The date a final fair hearing decision is entered that impacts the particular claim;
 - ✓ The date a court orders MAA to cover the services; or
 - ✓ The date DSHS certifies a client eligible under delayed¹ certification criteria.
- MAA may grant exceptions to the 365 day time limit for **initial claims** when billing delays are caused by either of the following:
 - ✓ DSHS certification of a client for a retroactive period; or
 - ✓ The provider proves to MAA's satisfaction that there are other extenuating circumstances.

Delayed Certification - According to WAC 388-500-0005, delayed certification means department approval of a person's eligibility for a covered service made after the established application processing time limits. If, due to delayed certification, the client becomes eligible for a covered service that has already been provided, the provider must not bill, demand, collect, or accept payment from the client or anyone on the client's behalf for the service; and must promptly refund the total payment received from the client or anyone acting on the client's behalf and then bill MAA for the service.

Eligibility Established After Date of Service but Within the Same Month - If the client becomes eligible for a covered service that has already been provided because the client applied to the department for medical services later in the same month the service was provided (and is made eligible from the first day of the month), the provider must not bill, demand, collect, or accept payment from the client or anyone acting on the client's behalf for the service; and must promptly refund the total payment received from the client or anyone acting on the client's behalf and then bill MAA for the service.

Retroactive Certification - According to WAC 388-500-0005, retroactive period means the three calendar months before the month of application (month in which client applied). If, due to retroactive certification, the client becomes eligible for a covered service that has already been provided, the provider must not bill, demand, collect, or accept payment from the client or anyone acting on the client's behalf for any unpaid charges for the service; and may refund any payment already received from the client or anyone acting on the client's behalf, and after refunding the payment, the provider may bill MAA for the service.

• Providers may **resubmit, modify, or adjust** any timely initial claim, <u>except prescription</u> drug claims, for a period of 36 months from the date of service. Prescription drug claims must be resubmitted, modified, or adjusted within 15 months from the date of service.

Note: MAA does not accept any claim for resubmission, modification, or adjustment after the allotted time period listed above.

- The time-periods do not apply to overpayments that the provider must refund to DSHS. After the time-periods, a provider may not refund overpayments to MAA by claim adjustment. The provider must refund overpayments to MAA by a negotiable financial instrument such as a bank check.
- The provider, or any agent of the provider, must not bill a client or a client's estate when:
 - ✓ The provider fails to meet these listed requirements; and
 - ✓ MAA does not pay the claim.

What fee should I bill MAA for eligible clients?

Bill MAA your usual and customary fee.

Exception:

If billing Medicare Part B crossover claims, bill the amount

submitted to Medicare.

How do I bill for clients who are eligible for Medicare and Medicaid?

If a client is eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid (otherwise known as "dual- eligible"), **you must <u>first</u> submit a claim to Medicare and accept assignment within Medicare's time limitations**. MAA may make an additional payment after Medicare reimburses you.

- If Medicare pays the claim, the provider must bill MAA within six months of the date Medicare processes the claim.
- If Medicare denies payment of the claim, MAA requires the provider to meet MAA's initial 365-day requirement for initial claim.
- Codes billed to MAA must match codes billed to Medicare when billed as a Medicare Part B crossover claim.

Medicare Part B

Benefits covered under Part B include: **Physician, outpatient hospital services, home health, durable medical equipment, and other medical services and supplies** not covered under Part A.

When the words "This information is being sent to either a private insurer or Medicaid fiscal agent," appear on your Medicare remittance notice, it means that your claim has been forwarded to MAA or a private insurer for deductible and/or coinsurance processing.

If you have received a payment or denial from Medicare, but it does not appear on your MAA Remittance and Status Report (RA) within 45 days from Medicare's statement date, you should bill MAA directly.

- If Medicare has made payment, and there is a balance due from MAA, you must submit a HCFA-1500 claim form (with the "XO" indicator in field 19). Bill only those lines Medicare paid. Do not submit paid lines with denied lines. This could cause a delay in payment or a denial.
- If Medicare denies services, but MAA covers them, you must bill on a HCFA-1500 claim form (without the "XO" indicator in field 19). Bill only those lines Medicare denied. Do not submit denied lines with paid lines. This could cause a delay in payment or a denial.
- If Medicare denies a service that requires prior authorization by MAA, MAA will waive the prior authorization requirement but will still require authorization. Authorization or denial of your request will be based upon medical necessity.

Note: ✓ Medicare/Medicaid billing claims must be received by MAA within six (6) months of the Medicare EOMB paid date. ✓ A Medicare Remittance Notice or EOMB must be attached to each

claim.

Payment Methodology - Medicare Part B

- MMIS compares MAA's allowed amount to Medicare's allowed amount and selects the lesser of the two. (If there is no MAA allowed amount, we use Medicare's allowed amount.)
- Medicare's payment is deducted from the amount selected above.
- If there is *no* balance due, the claim is denied because Medicare's payment exceeds MAA's allowable.
- If there *is* a balance due, payment is made towards the deductible and/or coinsurance up to MAA's maximum allowable.

MAA cannot make direct payments to clients to cover the deductible and/or coinsurance amount of Part B Medicare. MAA *can* pay these costs to the provider on behalf of the client when:

- 1) The provider <u>accepts</u> assignment; and
- 2) The total combined reimbursement to the provider from Medicare and Medicaid does not exceed Medicare or Medicaid's allowed amount, whichever is less.

Third-Party Liability

The Medical Assistance Administration (MAA) is required by federal regulation to determine the liability of third-party resources that are available to MAA clients. All resources available to the client that are applicable to the costs of medical care must be used. Once the applicable resources are applied, MAA may make payment on the balance if the third-party payment is less than the allowed amount.

To be eligible for MAA programs, a client must assign his/her insurance rights to the state in conformance with federal requirements.

It is the provider's responsibility to bill MAA appropriately after pursuing any potentially liable third-party resource when:

- Health insurance is indicated on the client's DSHS Medical ID card; or
- There is a possible casualty claim; or
- You believe insurance is available.

If you would like assistance in identifying an insurance carrier, call the Third-Party Resource Program at 1-800-562-6136, or refer to the TPL Carrier Code List on MAA's web site at http://maa.dshs.wa.gov.

Exception:

Due to federal requirements, the following services will not be denied for third-party coverage unless the TPL code is **HM**, **HI**, or **HO**:

- ✓ Outpatient preventative pediatric care;
- ✓ Outpatient maternity-related services; and
- Accident related claims, if the third party benefits are not available to pay the claims at the time they are filed, per 42 CFR 433.139(c).

Indicate all available insurance information on the claim form. MAA pays the claim and pursue the third-party insurance.

You must pursue collection from the subscriber when the client is not the subscriber and the insurance company makes a benefit payment to the subscriber. Under these circumstances, the client is under no obligation to pay unless he/she is the insurance subscriber.

Although the billing time limit for MAA is 365 days, an insurance carrier's time limit on billing allowances may be different. It is your responsibility to meet the insurance carrier's requirement relating to billing time limits prior to any payment by MAA.



Note: If you receive payment from MAA in excess of the amount due, you may refund the excess to the Office of Financial Recovery, or you may submit an adjustment request to MAA to withhold money from future checks. A copy of the appropriate MAA Remittance and Status Report showing the original payment and copy of the insurance EOB, if available, should be attached to either the check or the adjustment request, whenever possible.

Mail refund checks to:

OFFICE OF FINANCIAL RECOVERY - MED PO BOX 45862 OLYMPIA WA 98504-5862

What records must be kept?

General for all providers [Refer to WAC 388-502-0020]

Enrolled providers must:

- Keep legible, accurate, and complete charts and records to justify the services provided to each client, including, but not limited to:
 - ✓ Patient's name and date of birth;
 - ✓ Dates of service(s);
 - ✓ Name and title of person performing the service, if other than the billing practitioner;
 - ✓ Chief complaint or reason for each visit;
 - ✓ Pertinent medical history;
 - ✓ Pertinent findings on examination;
 - ✓ Medications, equipment, and/or supplies prescribed or provided;
 - ✓ Description of treatment (when applicable);
 - ✓ Recommendations for additional treatments, procedures, or consultations;
 - ✓ X-rays, tests, and results;
 - ✓ Plan of treatment and/or care, and outcome; and
 - ✓ Specific claims and payments received for services.
- Assure charts are authenticated by the person who gave the order, provided the
 care, or performed the observation, examination, assessment, treatment or other
 service to which the entry pertains.
- Make charts and records available to DSHS, its contractors, and the US Department of Health and Human Services, upon their request, for at least six years from the date of service or more if required by federal or state law or regulation.

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How to Complete the **HCFA-1500 Claim Form**

The HCFA-1500 (U2) (12-90) (Health Insurance Claim Form) is a universal claim form used by many agencies nationwide; a number of the fields on the form do not apply when billing the Medical Assistance Administration (MAA). Some field titles may not reflect their usage for this claim type. The numbered boxes on the claim form are referred to as fields. Important!

Guidelines/Instructions:

- Use only the original preprinted red and white HCFA-1500 claim forms (version 12/90 or later, preferably on 20# paper). This form is designed specifically for optical character recognition (OCR) systems. The scanner cannot read black and white (copied, carbon, or laserprinter generated) HCFA-1500 claim forms.
- Do not use red ink pens, highlighters, "post-it notes," stickers, correction fluid or tape anywhere on the claim form or backup documentation. The red ink and/or highlighter will not be picked up in the scanning process. Vital data will not be recognized. Do not write or use stamps or stickers that say, "REBILL," "TRACER," or "SECOND SUBMISSION" on claim form.
- Use standard typewritten fonts that are 10 c.p.i (characters per inch). Do not mix character fonts on the same claim form. Do not use italics or script.
- Use upper case (capital letters) for all alpha characters.
- Use black printer ribbon, ink-jet, or laser printer cartridges. Make sure ink is not faded or too light!
- Ensure all the claim information is entirely contained within the proper field on the claim form and on the same horizontal plane. Misaligned data will delay processing and may even be missed.
- Place only six detail lines on each claim form. MAA does not accept "continued" claim forms. If more than six detail lines are needed, use additional claim forms.
- Show the total amount for each claim form separately. Do not indicate the entire total (for all claims) on the last claim form; total each claim form.

Field Description/Instructions for Completion

- 1a. Insured's ID No.: Required.
 Enter the Patient Identification Code
 (PIC) an alphanumeric code
 assigned to each Medical Assistance
 client exactly as shown on the
 DSHS Medical ID card consisting of
 the client's:
 - First and middle initials (a dash
 [-] must be used if the middle initial is not available).
 - Six-digit birthdate, consisting of *numerals only* (MMDDYY).
 - First five letters of the last name. If there are fewer than five letters in the last name, leave spaces for the remainder <u>before</u> adding the tiebreaker.
 - An alpha or numeric character (tiebreaker).

For example:

- ➤ Mary C. Johnson's PIC looks like this: MC010667JOHNSB.
- ➤ John Lee's PIC needs two spaces to make up the last name, does not have a middle initial and looks like this: J-100257LEE B
- 2. Patient's Name: Required. Enter the last name, first name, and middle initial of the MAA client (the receiver of the services for which you are billing).
- 3. Patient's Birthdate: Required. Enter the birthdate of the MAA client.

- 4. Insured's Name (Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial): When applicable. If the client has health insurance through employment or another source (e.g., private insurance, Federal Health Insurance Benefits, CHAMPUS, or CHAMPVA), list the name of the insured here. Enter the name of the insured except when the insured and the client are the same then the word *Same* may be entered.
- **Patient's Address:** Required. Enter the address of the Medicaid client who has received the services you are billing for (the person whose name is in *field 2*.)
- 9. Other Insured's Name: Secondary insurance. When applicable, enter the last name, first name, and middle initial of the insured. If the client has insurance secondary to the insurance listed in *field 11*, enter it here.
 - 9a. Enter the other insured's policy or group number *and* his/her Social Security Number.
 - **9b.** Enter the other insured's date of birth.
 - **9c.** Enter the other insured's employer's name or school name.
 - 9d. Enter the insurance plan name or program name (e.g., the insured's health maintenance organization, private supplementary insurance).

Please note: DSHS, Welfare, Provider Services, EPSDT, First Steps, and Medicare, etc., are <u>inappropriate</u> entries for this field.

Required. Check *yes* or *no* to indicate whether employment, auto accident or other accident

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involvement applies to one or more of the services described in *field 24*. *Indicate the name of the coverage source in field 10d* (L&I, name of insurance company, etc.).

Is Patient's Condition Related to:

11. <u>Insured's Policy Group or FECA</u> (Federal Employees Compensation

Act) Number: Primary insurance. When applicable. This information applies to the insured person listed in *field 4*. Enter the insured's policy and/or group number and his/her social security number. The data in this field will indicate that the client has other insurance coverage and MAA pays as payer of last resort.

11a. Insured's Date of Birth:

Primary insurance. When applicable, enter the insured's birthdate, if different from *field 3*.

11b. Employer's Name or School Name: Primary insurance. When applicable, enter the insured's employer's name or school name.

11c. Insurance Plan Name or Program Name: Primary insurance. When applicable, show the insurance plan or program name to identify the primary insurance involved. (Note: This may or may not be associated with a group plan.)

- 11d. Is There Another Health
 Benefit Plan2: Required if
 the client has secondary
 insurance. Indicate yes or no.
 If yes, you should have
 completed fields 9a.-d. If the
 client has insurance, and even
 if you know the insurance
 will not cover the service you
 are billing, you must check
 yes. If 11d. is left blank, the
 claim may be processed and
 denied in error.
- 17. Name of Referring Physician or Other Source: When applicable, enter the primary physician.
 - 17a. ID Number of Referring
 Physician: When applicable,
 enter the 7-digit MAAassigned primary physician
 number.
- **19.** Reserved for Local Use When Medicare allows services, enter *XO* to indicate this is a crossover claim.
- **21.** Diagnosis or Nature of Illness or Injury: When applicable, enter the appropriate diagnosis code(s) in areas 1, 2, 3, and 4.
- 22. Medicaid Resubmission: When applicable. If this billing is being submitted beyond the 365-day billing time limit, enter the ICN that verifies that your claim was originally submitted within the time limit. (The ICN number is the *claim number* listed on the *Remittance and Status Report.*)

- 24. Enter only one (1) procedure code per detail line (fields 24A 24K).

 If you need to bill more than six (6) lines per claim, please use an additional HCFA-1500 claim form.
 - 24A. <u>Date(s) of Service</u>:

Required. Enter the "from" and "to" dates using all six digits for each date. Enter the month, day, and year of service numerically (e.g., October 8, 2003 = 100803).

24B. Place of Service: Required. This is the only appropriate code for Washington State Medicaid:

Code To Be Number Used For

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24D. <u>Procedures, Services or Supplies CPT/HCPCS:</u>

enter a modifier.

Required. Enter the appropriate Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) or HCFA Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) procedure code for the services being billed. **Modifier**: When appropriate

24E. Diagnosis Code: Required. Enter the ICD-9-CM diagnosis code related to the procedure or service being billed (for each item listed in 24D). A diagnosis code is required for each service or line billed. Enter the code exactly as shown in ICD-9-CM current volume.

- 24F. Scharges: Required. Enter your usual and customary charge for the service performed. If more than one unit is being billed, the charge shown must be for the total of the units billed. Do not include dollar signs or decimals in this field. Do not add sales tax. Sales tax is automatically calculated by the system and included with your remittance amount.
- **24G.** Days or Units: Required. Enter the total number of days or units (up to 999) for each line. These figures must be whole units.
- 25. <u>Federal Tax LD. Number</u>: Leave this field blank.
- 26. Your Patient's Account No.: Not required. Enter an alphanumeric ID number, i.e., a medical record number or patient account number. This number will be printed on your Remittance and Status Report under the heading Patient Account Number.
- **28.** Total Charge: Required. Enter the sum of your charges. Do not use dollar signs or decimals in this field.

- 29. Amount Paid: If you receive an insurance payment or client-paid amount, show the amount here, and attach a copy of the insurance EOB. If payment is received from source(s) other than insurance, specify the source in *field 10d*. Do not use dollar signs or decimals in this field or put Medicare payment here.
- **Balance Due**: Required. Enter balance due. Enter total charges minus any amount(s) in *field 29*. Do not use dollar signs or decimals in this field.
- 33. Physician's, Supplier's Billing
 Name, Address, Zip Code and
 Phone #: Required. Put the Name,
 Address, and Phone # on all claim
 forms.

Group: Enter the group number assigned by MAA. This is the seven-digit number identifying the entity (i.e., clinic, lab, hospital emergency room, etc.). When a valid group number is entered in this field, payment will be made under this number.